



# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

## Kerry Blue Terrier Rescue

For the first annual period ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### INTRODUCTION

The 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 saw the end of the Kerry Blue Terrier Rescues first financial period. It has been a very busy year with sales of calendars, t-shirts and hoodies along with fund raising events hosted by some of our wonderful volunteers and supporters. This was all done in addition to our regular work of fostering and adoption of this wonderful breed of dogs. We also pride ourselves in providing a valuable network of an aftercare team to all families of fostered and rehomed dogs which also includes advice and support from everything from general care to behavioural issues. We have built up a splendid network of transporters, with the use of social media and friends and also have kennels who regularly help us out when we are in a tight spot due to lack of foster or adoptive parents on our books.

### FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

Here at the Rescue we adhere to strict money handling procedures. All donators are urged, wherever possible to send funds directly to the bank using either PayPal or transfers to our bank account. Where funds are given in cash, I am informed of the amount raised and will ensure that funds are banked at the earliest possible opportunity. In the case of our sponsored events, we request that sponsorship forms are used and submitted at the end of the event, so any donations promised can be collected and sent on to the bank. With regards payments, all invoices are discussed at Board level and we have one signature for payments under £50 and two for any invoices that are over £50.

### BANK BALANCE AS AT 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

Our combined PayPal and bank balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> September was £3,121, however after adjustments for cash received in relation to events held after the year end, sponsorship money due in and invoices/provisions due for payment, our adjusted cash balance is approximately £1,200. All adjustments are mentioned below. Our policy is to keep a cover of around £1,000 for any emergencies.

### INCOME

**Calendars** – The Rescue received £1,402 from sales of 134 calendars and after deducting printing, postage and packaging we are pleased to announce that we made a profit of £ 778.

**Hoodies and t-shirts** – After deducting the cost of printing, postage and packaging from income received from the sales of hoodies and t-shirts the Rescue made a profit of £17.



## **INCOME - continued**

**Discount donations** - The Rescue has a few supporters who very kindly send us funds based on a percentage of their sales. As at 30<sup>th</sup> September we have received £57 from our "Friends of the Rescue".

**Easy fundraising** – The Rescue has an account set up with Easyfundraising and as at 30<sup>th</sup> September thanks to those supporters who have set up accounts the Rescue has made nearly £210.

**Events and sponsorships** – In respect of events held before the 30<sup>th</sup> September the Rescue has been pledged the sum of £800. All funds received in respect of events and sponsorships held after the 30<sup>th</sup> September have been excluded. The adjusted cash balance mentioned at the beginning of this report £ 1,200 reflects this treatment.

**Donations** – We have been completely blown away by the kindness and generosity in respect to the amounts people have donated. As at 30<sup>th</sup> September the Rescue has received just over £4,600 in donations. This is completely separate from all of the categories mentioned above. We have been the recipients of donations from people who have: -

- given up their dogs
- adopted dogs from the Rescue
- been moved by one or more of the many heart-breaking tales that have been shared
- had sales of private items
- had raffles
- been to events and sold handmade items
- enjoyed the experience of fostering
- wanted to pay for costs that go towards the legal side of maintaining the Rescue

And, of course, we are unable to quantify the amount of money that our wonderful foster parents and transporters have spent, the majority of which have never asked for a penny of reimbursement.

## **EXPENDITURE**

**Vets expenses** – The Rescue has spent nearly £1,893 as at 30<sup>th</sup> September and a further adjustment has to be made for invoices that we know are in the process of being issued but have not yet been paid. Taking into account these outstanding invoices the adjusted cash figure for vets' fees is therefore £2,220. Whenever it has been possible the Rescue has used vets who are sympathetic to our cause and who offer discounts. Foster parents tend to use the vets with whom they already have a good working relationship with and they too have managed to obtain discounts when it has been feasible. Whenever vets are involved, and where it is possible, we ask for an estimate for treatment and every case is discussed, both on a financial level and a treatment level, between ourselves to establish the best care package for the dog.



## **EXPENDITURE - continued**

**Costs of Care of Un-homed and Foster Dogs** – The Rescue to date has spent £ 1,090 and we have made a provision for a further payment of £860 for services provided before the 30<sup>th</sup> September but not yet invoiced. Included in this category are payments made while a dog is in foster. These include behaviourists (rehabilitation or training), food and kennelling. Where we deem it necessary to provide professional training or behavioural performed by 3<sup>rd</sup> parties, we seek a report from them on the dog and retain this on the file of each dog. We also work alongside a couple of kennels who very kindly look after and train the dogs who we have on our books and who are awaiting their forever homes. Transport costs to 30<sup>th</sup> September amounted to a further £95.

**Rescue Professional Costs** – As at 30<sup>th</sup> September, the costs of incorporation, public liability insurance, Annual Return fee and a provision for an independent account amount to nearly £800. We envisage that £680 of this will be ongoing in future years.

**Finance charges** – As at 30<sup>th</sup> September the Rescue has been charged £74 by Pay Pal. This sum is deducted from income generated by PayPal.

**Leaflets** – The Rescue produced our own leaflets and these were printed in time for Crufts in March 2017, these cost £80. These have been distributed far and wide by all involved with the Rescue.

**And Finally** – Formal accounts, prepared by an independent accountant, will be available shortly and will be provided upon request.

If any questions, thoughts or offers to help spring to mind whilst you read this please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to respond, clarify or guide you to the appropriate pages on our website.

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